

Docket No.: 1359.1041

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Masatoshi SHIOUCHI et al.

Serial No. 09/788,474

Group Art Unit: 2154

Confirmation No. 6203

Filed: February 21, 2001

Examiner: Patel, Ashokkumar B.

For:

VIRTUAL COMMUNICATION CHANNEL AND VIRTUAL PRIVATE COMMUNITY, AND AGENT COLLABORATION SYSTEM AND AGENT COLLABORATION METHOD FOR

CONTROLLING THE SAME

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on September 28, 2004.

A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to December 28, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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